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**Subject:** AP inquiry RE: EPA letter-DOGGR -- cyclic steam injection, fracking

More detail on AP's question still pending from yesterday – hopefully the statements you're working on w/ HQ address this?

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Hi, Suzanne,

Just to clarify on the cyclic steam – the state Legislature's report said the fact that cyclic steam injection was being done at a pressure that broke rock formations made it a violation of state and federal regulation (which regulations)? The Center for Biological Diversity suggested to me that that is allowed legally if it is classified as fracking, but not allowed if it remains classified as simply cyclic steam injection/EOR.

I'm asking if the process as it's being done is indeed in violation of federal regulation (what regulation?) and if it's a concern. I see some reference to cyclic steam injection in yesterday's EPA letter but not clear.

Thanks much

Ellen

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Hi Ellen,

Our letter to the state is attached. We are still working on a response to your inquiry from yesterday. Thanks.

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Hi, Suzanne \_ DOGGR says EPA sent a response to DOGGR's proposed plan re the UIC wells – can you please send along that letter? Anything else I should know re that?

Thanks much,

Ellen

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